#### **New Address**

The Schwiegers have moved out to the country! The move took place in late October, to a house just northeast of Elk River.

Across the road is a picturesque farm with several horses. They give riding lessons...Warren can't wait! There is a chicken coop in our back yard but no chickens. Warren is sure that he will be able to take over the coop in a few years and make it his castle.

The new house has a wraparound deck on the south and east sides of the house. Safety gates have been added to both stairways, in the hopes of keeping Warren contained. An old picnic table was moved up on the deck before moving in, providing a sunny place to sit and eat.



South side of 9490 house

### El Toro!

With 4.7 acres of land at the new house, Arthur started complaining the push mower would take too long. To help keep him quiet, their friend Sara gave them her old lawn tractor "The Lawn General" to tide them over.

After much careful research, talking to dealers, and surfing the net, a candidate made its way to the top of the pile. It was a brand new Toro ZX525 (the model Arthur wanted) at a dealer in Davenport Iowa.



Warren wants to start mowing

Arthur borrowed a trailer from his friend Paul and headed out one Saturday at 4:22 am to make the 800 mile round trip. The trip went smoothly and by 5:40 pm El Toro was being unloaded.

#### **Arthur Falls for Buick**

On his way home from work, riding his 1985 Honda V65 Sabre and wearing his helmet, Arthur was struck broadside by an oncoming Buick. The motorcycle was a complete loss, but Arthur was able to get up and walk away from the accident with bumps, bruises, scrapes, sprains, and two broken fingers on his left hand (and yes, Arthur is left handed). After a six hour wait at the hospital and an hour of surgery by a skilled plastic surgeon, his hand was all pinned back together (pictures available upon request). He is continuing with physical therapy to regain as much range of motion as possible.

# **Warren Turns One**

Warren turned one year old on August 18<sup>th</sup>.

He now has 8 teeth, walks and runs everywhere, giggles at the strangest things, knows how to "moo" and make other animal sounds, treats the kitchen cupboards as part of his toy box, and waves at everyone as if he were in a parade. He also loves bath-time, boxes, books, and helping mommy & daddy.



I can unwrap this all by myself

Warren had a busy summer. He went to Grand Old Day and watched the parade. Then he got to ride in the backpack for a long walk up and down Grand Avenue in St. Paul where he saw an endless stream of people (over 250,000 people turn out for this event.)

This year Warren was able to make it to the Minnesota State Fair. He got to see his cousins' chickens that were on display. While in the horse barn, he got up close and personal when a horse stuck his nose right in Warren's face!



Spaghetti time!

Warren got to meet more of Barbara's family this year. When Uncle Larry and family returned from Guatemala, he took to them as if he had known them all of his life. This meeting got him out of his shy stage of only letting mommy or daddy hold him. He also got to meet Uncle Mark and Cousin Bjorn while they were back from China for a conference.



Warren meets Cousin Elizabeth

Warren still has his own web site that might even be up to date by the time you read this. The URL for his site is: http://Warren.Schwiegers.com/Warren



Checking out the geese at Como Park

## Happy holidays to all!

Arthur, Barbara, & Warren